

## BRAVE BAND WORKS IN CAPITAL SLUMS

Misery and Misfortune  
Found in Washington  
by Investigators.

## MORE IS NEEDED TO RELIEVE WANT

Charitable Organizations Lack Sufficient Funds for Great Task.

Washington, too, has its dark spots. Away from the abodes of wealth and hidden from the sight of the prosperous thousands on life's high road, the dwelling places of misfortune and misery are known to few but the charity workers. A glimpse into this other side of the National Capital was given to an investigator who accompanied a representative of the Associated Charities on her daily round.

She started out at 5, this visitor from the Associated Charities. There was much to do and an early start was necessary. It was a widow whose obscure abode she entered first—a charwoman who had fallen ill and whose rent was due. Once before she had been helped, for her injuries, caused by a fall, were slow in mending.

There was a heart to heart talk about finding a cheaper place until her troubles should roll by. The widow was willing and the hunt for a cleaner and cheaper home was begun.

### Rent Question Again.

To another tenement she came and here also the question was one of rent. The husband, a day laborer, had been out of work. A temporary position had at last been obtained, but the landlord was not of the sympathetic sort. The woman had all of the money necessary except \$5. Tomorrow was the last day of grace.

Would the Associated Charities make her a loan of this small sum? The family was known to be deserving; all it needed was a chance. The wife was told to come the next day and obtain the money, for which she thankfully gave her note payable in two months. This was a case of temporary aid, where the helping hand would enable the family to continue self-supporting and not become charges of the organization—a thing most undesired by them.

Another home of sorrow was sought. Here it was found that the husband, a carpenter, had lain abed with a broken leg for two months. He had not been a thrifty sort, this man, although at times he made good wages. No, he was not a union man, the wife said, and no aid could be expected there. There were five small children, the youngest a baby of five months. None was old enough to work. Some of them were hungry; there were no relatives to care.

### Her First Appeal.

"Somehow we've lost track of them all, I don't suppose they would want to hear from us now," said the woman, simply. "I have never had to do this before; I hate to feel that I am a subject of charity," she continued, and the choke in the throat meant that she told the truth. The little sister of mercy stopped at the corner grocery store and ordered a supply of groceries for the family.

"When she returned to the office the family was put upon the calling list and will become charges of the organization until prosperity returns.

There were other visits similar to these, each producing its individual tale of sorrow, each reminding one of the other, and of the fact that one-half of the world knows nothing of the other half.

### Many Come for Aid.

At noon the worker returned to the office and the applicants began to come in. A mother with a sick child asked for free treatment. Her case was meritorious; she was cared for. Another woman came. She was unable to make enough to support herself; she was given some work to do about the office and in exchange received a grocery order.

Another destitute one, deserted years before by a worthless husband, swallowed pride and asked for a pair of shoes for one of her children. She had tuberculosis and it was plain to see that she had already worked beyond her strength.

### Tuberculosis Victims.

After a dozen applicants of his kind—men, women and children—had been disposed of, the afternoon rounds were taken up, the visits from hotel to hotel and alley to alley. Most pathetic of all the cases seen was that of a Hungarian woman and her family. Sprawled about the floor were four children, none of them more than ten years old. The husband lay in a hospital. He is dying of consumption. His case is hopeless. The woman herself speaks English only and is unable to get help.

She also was delicate and afterward doctors came and said lack of nutrition and fresh air had prepared the soil for the planting of tuberculosis germs in the bodies of mother and two children. She could obtain no work and obtaining it could not perform it—with four helpless children in the way.

What did the Associated Charities agent do? She arranged for better quarters, for fresh milk each day, for food and clothing. The Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis made possible the funds.

### Better Days Come.

During the tour, and indicating the versatility of such charity work, farewells were said to a family that had formerly been the recipient of aid but upon which fortune had now begun to smile again. Only those who have watched some one who has been in need say good-by to a benefactor can appreciate the nation as well as the happiness, of such a scene.

On and on went, this little woman of good cheer and relief. More than a score of unfortunate she saw that day and nearly all of them were found to be deserving. Sometimes it was a strange man who was seeking the bread line. Not infrequently it was man and wife who had come to the Capital seeking work and failed to find it.

Again, it was an impostor who was soon detected under the close scrutiny and by the searching questions. For there is so much charity remaining undone that only the deserving and truly unfortunate can be helped.

### Women Oftenest Found.

Oftenest the sufferer was a woman. Most frequently, it was a mother or deserted wife, who had expected better

## JUSTICE BREWER'S APPEAL TO THE PEOPLE OF WASHINGTON.

To the Public:

May I add a word to the appeal of the joint finance committee to the people of Washington for the \$16,000 necessary to continue the work of the Associated Charities, the Citizens' Relief Association, and the Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis? The situation is critical. Contributions throughout the winter have been behind the usual donations. The weather conditions, the generous response to the appeals for the Italian sufferers, and the inauguration proceedings have all served to divert attention from the requirements of these large local charities, so that contributions thus far received have been much less than those in prior years.

Now gone great element in the value of the work of these organizations—especially the first and third—is permanence. Tuberculosis cannot be stamped out by a single spasmodic effort, but calls for steady work for years. The effort of the Associated Charities is the building up of self-respect and the purpose of self-support in those who have little or no hope or faith in the possibilities of life. This restoration is not accomplished by any single or solitary effort. It requires continued encouragement and help. The managers of these organizations are, as you know, serving without compensation. They watch all expenditures with the greatest care, and use the funds placed in their hands as a sacred trust. Constructive philanthropy is their watchword. Every means they can reach is used to this end. Relatives, churches, employers, friends, are all asked to aid in the rehabilitation of individuals and families known to them. The temporary relief of food, fuel, and shelter is a mere instrument to the one end—that end being the uplifting of character, the strengthening of the will, the providing of opportunities for the poor to help themselves.

In this work the financial support and personal encouragement of every resourceful citizen of Washington is needed. Can any afford not to have a part in this effort on behalf of less fortunate neighbors? These charities offer a safe, sound investment, whose returns will be seen in more wholesome family life, a healthier and more hopeful existence for the "other half," and the lessening of pauperism and crime.

Very truly yours,  
DAVID J. BREWER.  
Supreme Court of the United States, Washington, March 19, 1909.

things and who was suddenly thrown upon her own resources.

When the husband can be found he is brought before the juvenile court charged with non-support. Many of the men are never found, and then the Associated Charities has to become the head of the home until work can be found for the mother, or until her relatives—if she has any willing ones—send for her.

The Associated Charities, the Citizens' Relief Association, and the Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, through their joint committee, are endeavoring to raise \$16,000 additional for carrying on such work as this throughout the city. Eight representatives are daily kept busy going from home to home and extending such aid as the finances of the organization and the merits of the case will permit.

### More Money Needed.

Despite the fact that there is more rescue work to be done than in any year past, voluntary contributions are scanty. Those who are able to give and who want to give could but take the tour that you have taken today," said someone to the man who accompanied one of the "sociological nurses." "It would not be necessary for us to appeal continually for funds for this great work. Money would be showered upon us by everyone who saw the under side of its true light."

Contributions are being acknowledged by the joint finance committee, 511 G street northwest, and will be gladly received regardless of the amount.

Toward the \$16,000 still needed by the joint finance committee representing the Associated Charities, Citizens' Relief Association, and the Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, the following amounts have been transferred to the Associated Charities and acknowledged by John Joy Edson, treasurer:

E. B. ....	\$2.00
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Mrs. and Mrs. W. D. McKenzie ..	1.00
J. F. Herman ..	2.00
Edward S. Schmid ..	1.00
Cash ..	.58
S. Thomas Brown ..	5.90
W. B. P. ....	4.90
A. J. Kelly ..	5.00
Mrs. Albert Clifford Barney ..	10.00
Following are recent contributions to the Citizens' Relief Association which have been acknowledged by Milton E. Allen, treasurer:	
E. B. ....	5.70
Dr. John A. Swops ..	0.60
Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McKenzie ..	1.00
Cash ..	.70
William T. Belts ..	10.00
Mrs. Albert Clifford Barney ..	10.00
C. W. P. ....	2.50

The Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, William H. Forwood, treasurer, acknowledges the following gifts:

E. B. ....	1.32
Mrs. Albert Clifford Barney ..	5.00
Cash ..	.32
C. W. P. ....	1.50

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## SEEK IMPROVEMENT OF THE WATERWAYS

Commission Proposes Extensive Study of Subject and Definite Plan.

One of the most important inquiries, if not the most, with respect to the improvement of the waterways of the country that has ever been instituted is now in progress.

At the last session of Congress the rivers and harbors bill as it was passed contained a provision for a joint waterways commission, composed of six members of the Senate and six of the House. This commission was directed to make an inquiry into the whole subject of waterways, including river and harbor improvements, the development of canals, the improvement of streams, water power, and the like. This commission has already begun its work, and a subcommittee has for some days been holding frequent sessions for the purpose of presenting a plan of action to the full commission or committee.

### Commission's Task.

The commission has imposed on it the task of setting before Congress a broad and comprehensive plan for the development of the nation's waterways. Hitherto, Congress has gone ahead in an unsystematic way in improving rivers and harbors. It is now proposed to have a comprehensive plan, the working out of which in the form of actual improvements will require many years. The plan of procedure which the subcommittee will present to the commission, at a meeting of the commission Monday has not been given out. It is learned that the commission will undoubtedly make a wide variety of investigations in this country and in Europe. A subcommittee will be sent to Europe this summer to investigate the development of waterways in that part of the world, especially in Germany, France, and England. Subcommittees will be sent to various sections of the United States. The life of the commission is two years, but a preliminary report will be made to Congress at the next regular session.

### One of the Problems.

One of the greatest questions on which the commission will make a report to Congress will relate to the relations between railroads and canals and other waterways. This problem will be studied in the United States and in Europe. It is well known that the policy of the railroads in this country has been to throttle the waterways. It is recognized by the commission at the outset that this must be prevented if the waterways are to reach a high state of development. The present commission is quite different from the Waterways Commission which President Roosevelt appointed. The new commission has been formed by the authority of Congress, and is composed of influential members of Congress. When its report is finally made, it will be given attention.

## MANY HEAR LECTURE FOR NON-CATHOLICS

Series Will Conclude at Tomorrow Night's Service—Wide Interest Attracted.

The series of lectures for non-Catholics, which have been given during the past week in the Shrine of the Sacred Heart, Fourteenth street and Park road, will conclude at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night. The mission has proved of wide interest, and at the service last night it was impossible to accommodate those who came to hear the sermon. The mission has been given by the Rev. Dr. Herbert Vaughan, of London, and the Rev. Alvah Doran, of Philadelphia.

At the 10:30 o'clock service tomorrow morning, Father Doran will preach on "Mary and the Saints." The choir will sing Gounod's "Mass to St. Cecilia." Tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock, Father Vaughan will answer the questions which have been asked concerning certain principles and doctrines of the Catholic faith, and at 8 o'clock, Father Doran will preach on "Why I Became a Catholic."

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## CALL NEW ENGLAND SENATORS SELFISH

Men From Other Sections Angry Because Clique From Northeast Apparently Will Dominate Tariff Revision Committee and Frame the Bill.

If one will walk about the corridors of the Senate end of the Capitol or about the Senate office building and listen carefully, he will hear some such expressions as these:  
"New England wants the earth."  
"New Eng. and always did act the hog."  
"The West gets the worst of it, as usual."

Along with such expressions, go numerous explosive utterances of a profoundly profane sort. For Senators can swear as well as ordinary folks when they get mad about anything.

### Rules Finance Committee.

The irritation of the Senate arises from the way in which the Senate Finance Committee, or rather the Republican side of it, is being made up. On the committee are eight Republicans. Three of these are from New England. The other five are stretched across the country from Pennsylvania to California. No single section of the country has more than one Senator on the committee, with the exception of New England.

## ALEXANDER LONG IS BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Alexander Long, a veteran employe of the Bureau of Printing and Engraving, took place this afternoon from his late residence, 40 R street northwest.

Mr. Long died suddenly Wednesday evening after a brief illness. Interment was in the family lot, Rock Creek Cemetery.

It is charged that New England has been giving attention to the Finance Committee with the view of getting the tariff bill shaped up to suit the interests of that part of the United States. Senators Aldrich, Hale, and Lodge form the most powerful combination in the Senate and nobody doubts that when the tariff bill comes out of committee, and is reported to the Senate, it will be found New England has been especially well looked after.

### Bill Doesn't Suit Them.

Various phases of the House bill do not suit New England. Senator Hale is much displeased over the reduced duty on lumber and over the reduction on wood pulp. Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire doesn't like the reduction on lumber, and his State is opposed to the inheritance tax.

In general, New England wants free raw materials and Massachusetts is a plant over free hides. But the reduction of 40 per cent in the duties on boots and shoes is not so pleasing. It is predicted that the stacking of the Finance Committee in the interest of New England will tend to make the fight on the Senate floor more bitter and more prolonged.

## JUSTICE IS CHOSEN LIBRARY TRUSTEE

The vacancy on the board of trustees of the Public Library, caused by the resignation of Judge Rufus H. Thayer, has been filled by the appointment of Justice Wendell Phillips Stafford, of the Supreme Court.

Judge Thayer's absence from the country because of his appointment as judge of the United States Court at Shanghai, China, necessitated his resignation.

## SENATORS REJOICE AT RUMOR AFLOAT

Taft to Restore Patronage to Solons, Is Joyful Report.

There is great joy about the Senate wing of the Capitol because of information that has reached there that President Taft will respect the wishes of Senators in the matter of making appointments.

Not only does Mr. Taft propose to let the Senators exercise their constitutional functions of giving their advice and consent in the filling of offices, but he is said to intend to go farther than that and to restore the ancient order of things by permitting the Republican Senators to control the important patronage in their own States.

Naturally, Senators who for seven years have been dodging, not always successfully, the Big Stick, are in high spirits over the new order. The plan of Mr. Taft will dispense with the State leaders or referees who were much consulted by President Roosevelt. It will restore to the Senators the political prestige which they had before the advent of Roosevelt. Even in Ohio, this rumor will be followed, even though Mr. Taft has small political use for Senator Dick.

## PRINCIPAL SPANKS BIG GIRL PUPIL

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 20.—Prof. Clayton Kellar, the young principal of the Laceyville High School, near here, has been served with a warrant charging him with assault and battery in severely beating Miss Ruth Russell, nineteen years old, one of his pupils. He gave bail.

It is said that Miss Russell mischievously poured some water on Prof. Kellar's chair, and that he sat down in it. Afterward he used a ruler to chastise the girl.

**Mrs. Clarence Mackay**  
says "It is pathetic to think that there should be any division of feeling between the women who have leisure and the women who have none. Here they are, divided, as it were, by a great sheet of crystal."



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